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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

Chief, Special Projects Team, OSR/SEC

SUBJECT:

Dr. Brzezinski's Comments on the Unclassified

IIM on Soviet Civil Defense

- . 1. The changes incorporated in the current, July 13, version of the study were proposed by Sam Huntington at a meeting I had with him on June 15. At the start of the meeting we both acknowledged that no substantive changes were to be made, and agreed on a procedure to insure that this would not happen.
- 2. I suggested that he give me his comments orally. If a proposed change affected substance I would tell him, if it did not I would make note of it and would work out the necessary rewording myself. We went through the text of the paper in this way. I rejected a couple of his proposals and modified a few others. We then went over my notes focusing not on new wording but on reasons for change. He told me he would draft a memo similar to my notes from Dr. Brzezinski to you.
- 3. The specific changes were worked out in my office with my staff then with Howard Stoertz and his staff. We agreed that none of the proposed changes violated the substance of the original paper.
- 4. After reading the current and previous drafts again I am convinced that the changes made leave the message of the study intact. Huntington's comments improved the clarity of the paper and did help to make it conform better to the original, classified study. As to style, I am not so sure. Reading the paper over again was only slightly less distasteful than eating last July 4th's leftover watermelon would have been.

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